Case 3:11-md-02286-MMA-MDD Document 821 Filed 09/04/20 PageID.6241 Page 1 of 17

26

27

28

DISPUTE

1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5

On March 7, 2016, Alfred Collins, Jr. filed a wrongful termination action against his former employers, the defendants in this case. *Collins v. Encore Capital Group, Inc.*, No. 37-2016-7600-CU-WT-CTL (San Diego Cnty., Cal.). Collins alleges that Midland fired him for speaking out internally against Midland's *intentionally illegal* use of autodialers, in order to gain millions of dollars.

Even more shocking are Collins's allegations that Midland's top brass "cover[ed] up" their intentional conduct in order to avoid liability in a TCPA "class action lawsuit," which must mean this MDL proceeding. Specifically, Collins alleged:

[I]n response to a civil class action lawsuit Encore was defending at this time for violation of the TCPA, company executives implemented a scheme to give the appearance that Encore did not know what it was doing, but in reality the company was intentionally covering up the fact that it was intentionally violating the TCPA and proactively dialing cell phones without consumer consent, as required by the TCPA.

Company executives made this decision because they knew that the penalties for breaking the law would be far less than income ENCORE would be able to generate by violating consumers' rights. At this moment, Plaintiff had confirmation that certain senior ENCORE employees knew what they were doing was wrong and they were willing to proactively break the law.

Collins Compl., Exhibit A at ¶ 28 (paragraph break and emphasis supplied). Member case Martin v. Midland Funding, LLC, No. 3:11-cv-2368-MMA-MDD (S.D. Cal.), was brought as a class action in May 2011, and overlapped with the lead case, Scardina v. Midland, which settled on a class basis.

In other words, Collins alleges that Midland executives concocted a scheme in connection with Nicholas Martin's case, in order to cover up prior intentional TCPA violations, and pave the way for future violations to be made with impunity.

Collins also alleges that he brought these allegations concerning past intentional TCPA violations to Midland's chairman of the board of directors and head of the audit committee through an email, after which Midland allegedly "conducted an intimidation

campaign to scare people into not talking" about Midland's past intentional TCPA violations. *Collins* Compl., <u>Exhibit A</u> at ¶ 57.

If the *Collins* allegations that Midland knowingly and intentionally violated the TCPA are true, this would represent relevant and discoverable information – *direct evidence* – on the issue of willful or knowing violations of the TCPA, supporting the basis for treble damages under 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3). *See Krakauer v. Dish Network*, LLC, 925 F.3d 643, 662 (4th Cir. 2019), *cert. denied*, 140 S. Ct. 676 (2019) (affirming treble damages for willful and knowing TCPA violations).

Neither Plaintiffs Martin nor Johnson knew anything about *Collins*, its allegations or the existence of TCPA-related audits at Midland until December 6, 2019, when so-called Lead Plaintiff filed a joint motion seeking Collins' deposition. Dkt. 715.

Pursuant to Judge Dembin's order prohibiting any discovery without leave of court, Martin and Johnson met and conferred with Midland and filed a joint motion for leave to issue specific discovery requests, Dkt. 773, which the Court granted. Dkt. 776. Those discovery requests included three requests for production ("RFP") that arose from *Collins*: requests 14, 18 and 19:

<u>RFP 14</u>: Produce all documents concerning any audit, investigation or other type of inquiry into TCPA compliance and/or consent to make calls using a dialer.

<u>RFP 18</u>: Produce all documents concerning any whistleblower (or as Midland put it, "disgruntled employee") such as Alfred Collins, that relates in any way to your dialers or consent practices, without regard to time. Include emails, text messages, letters and memoranda.

<u>RFP 19</u>: Produce all audits, investigations and other documents that concern use of your dialers or the TCPA, without regard to time, including investigations and witness statements concerning the Collins matter.

Midland refused to produce any discovery responsive to these requests, and in his order of August 7, 2020, Magistrate Judge Dembin declined to compel them. Dkt. 812.

Plaintiffs thus respectfully object, and ask that this Court compel Midland to respond.

I. <u>BACKGROUND</u>

This MDL arises from multiple lawsuits against Defendants Encore Capital Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries Midland Credit Management, Inc. and Midland Funding, LLC (together, "Midland"), alleging violations of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act's ("TCPA") prohibition against "mak[ing] any call (other than a call made for emergency purposes or made with the prior express consent of the called party) using any automatic telephone dialing system or an artificial or prerecorded voice ... to any telephone number assigned to a ... cellular telephone service[.]" 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(1)(A)(iii). Upon motion by Defendants, on October 11, 2011, the JPML entered its Transfer Order, granting Defendants' motions for transfer and consolidation under 28 U.S.C. § 1407 "for coordinated or consolidated pretrial proceedings." *In re Midland TCPA Litig.*, 818 F. Supp. 2d 1377, 1378 (U.S. JPML 2011)(Dkt. 1).

On December 2, 2016, the Court approved a Class Action Settlement as to claims applicable to this MDL. Dkt. 434. At the time, about 235 member cases in the MDL were not affected by the settlement because the plaintiffs either opted out or alleged TCPA claims based on calls that occurred after the Settlement Class Period. Dkt. 443 at 1.

On June 22, 2018, Midland joined with certain member case plaintiffs in submitting a status report and proposed discovery plan in which each remaining plaintiff would respond to a "Questionnaire" of discovery, after which Defendants agreed to produce plaintiff-specific discovery that would include "account notes, consent evidence, and a record of calls made to that plaintiff[,]" as well as certain generally-applicable TCPA discovery. Dkt. 596 at 2-3. This was followed by a formal motion, submitted without any coordination with the undersigned Plaintiffs' counsel, which set forth in greater detail the terms of the Plaintiff Questionnaire and Defendants' subsequent production. Dkt. 603 at 5. On September 5, 2018, the Court granted that motion, including its requirement that Midland produce to each responding plaintiff certain plaintiff-specific information and information relating to Defendants' dialing technology and processes. Dkt. 608 at 4-6. Importantly, the Court's order did <u>not</u> indicate that this

was to be "it" for discovery; rather, it specified that "nothing herein shall prevent the Parties from conducting additional discovery ... at such time as the Court allows." Dkt. 608 p. 6.

On March 24, 2020, undersigned Plaintiffs and Midland submitted a Joint Motion to Permit Discovery, which set forth a series of additional discovery requests to Midland pertaining to those member cases in which the plaintiff alleges having received the calls before September 1, 2014—i.e., who opted out of the earlier class settlement. Dkt. 529 at 2; Dkt. 773. The Court granted that motion on April 27, 2020. Dkt. 776. Midland furnished to Plaintiffs' counsel Defendants' Objections and Responses to MDL Discovery Requests on June 10, 2020, which included providing <u>zero</u> materials responsive to RFP 14, 18, and 19, *supra*. Dkt. 802-3.

The parties filed a Joint Motion for Determination of Discovery Dispute as to these and other requests on July 15, 2020, which Magistrate Judge Dembin denied as to RFP 14, 18, and 19 on August 7, 2020. Dkt. 812. Plaintiffs respectfully object to the Magistrate Judge's order, and request that the Court compel Midland to produce the requested materials, as further detailed herein.

II. <u>LEGAL STANDARD</u>

This action was previously referred to the Magistrate Judge pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A), which permits a magistrate judge to decide certain non-dispositive matters. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(A); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(a). Under Rule 72(a), a party may object to a non-dispositive pretrial order of a magistrate judge within fourteen days after service of the order. FED. R. CIV. P. 72(a). For non-dispositive orders, including those pertaining to discovery matters, a timely objection triggers the district judge to "consider timely objections and modify or set aside any part of the order that is clearly erroneous or is contrary to law." *Id.*; *see also Mavrix Photographs, LLC v. Livejournal, Inc.*, 873 F.3d 1045, 1051 (9th Cir. 2017) (addressing objections to pre-trial discovery orders under Rule 72(a)). The "clearly erroneous" prong "applies to factual findings and discretionary decisions made in connection with non-dispositive pretrial discovery matters." *F.D.I.C. v.*

Fid. & Deposit Co. of Maryland, 196 F.R.D. 375, 378 (S.D. Cal. 2000) (citation omitted). The "contrary to law" prong "permits independent review of purely legal determinations by the magistrate judge." *Id.*

"A finding is `clearly erroneous' when although there is evidence to support it, the reviewing court on the entire evidence is left with the definite and firm conviction that a mistake has been committed." *United States v. U.S. Gypsum Co.*, 333 U.S. 364, 395 (1948); *Mathews v. Chevron Corp.*, 362 F.3d 1172, 1180 (9th Cir. 2004). In comparison, a magistrate judge's order is contrary to law if the judge applies an incorrect legal standard or fails to consider an element of the applicable standard. *See Hunt v. Nat' Broad. Co.*, 872 F.2d 289, 292 (9th Cir. 1989) (noting that such failures constitute abuse of discretion).

The district court must "make a de novo determination of those portion of the report to which objection is made," and "may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); see also United States v. Raddatz, 447 U.S. 667, 673-76 (1980); United States v. Remsing, 874 F.2d 614, 617 (9th Cir. 1989); see also United States v. Reyna-Tapia, 328 F.3d 1114, 1121 (9th Cir. 2003) ("[T]he district judge must review the magistrate judge's findings and recommendations de novo if objection is made, but not otherwise."). A "district court has discretion, but is not required, to consider evidence presented for the first time in a party's objection to a magistrate judge's recommendation." United States v. Howell, 231 F.3d 615, 621 (9th Cir. 2000).

III. THE MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S ORDER WAS INCORRECT.

Judge Dembin denied Plaintiffs' motion to compel RFP 14, 18, and 19, on the grounds that (1) the chronological timeframe is too broad, and (2) that Plaintiffs should have asked for them as part of the questionnaire process—notwithstanding the Court's statement in the questionnaire order indicating that further discovery would occur, and his express grant of the parties' joint motion to serve these requests on Midland. Dkt. 812 at 11-13; *see* Dkt. 608 p. 6 & Dkt. 776. Plaintiffs respectfully object to these rulings

pursuant to Fed.R.Civ.P. 72(a).

A. These requests are not impermissibly broad.

The Magistrate Judge's order denying Plaintiffs' motion to compel these three requests found fault in the requests' use of the word "all" and, as to RFP 18 and 19, the phrase "without regard to time." Plaintiffs acknowledge that the chronological scope of RFP 18 and 19 is broad, but contend that they are appropriately such.

In explaining its ruling of inappropriate broadness, the order suggests that perhaps a more appropriate request might have been to ask for compliance investigations or audits concerning "calls made prior to September 1, 2014." However, there are dozens of cases in this MDL, all of which are to benefit from this common discovery. Many of the subject cases – including cases that opted out of the *Scardina* class case – received calls after September 2014. On July 8, 2020, Midland produced a list of pending cases with calls prior to September 1, 2014, at Dkt. 798-1, attached hereto as <u>Exhibit B</u>, which adds an asterisk showing the seventeen out of fifty-six cases, for which there are calls both before and after September 1, 2014. Moreover, the Court was incorrect about the temporal scope of RFP 14, which did precisely what the Court suggested it should, and covered calls between "October 12, 2007, to September 30, 2014." Dkt. 769-1 at 2.

Perhaps this call chronology is why Midland *did not even argue* chronological scope in the Joint Motion for this request. The Magistrate Judge developed this reasoning, *sua sponte*, without argument from the parties. While certainly a judge is permitted to decide issues for unbriefed reasons, doing so raises a probability that such a decision will be clearly in error, as here.

In sum, contrary to the reasoning and holding in Dkt. 812, the chronological scope of these requests jibes with the live claims at issue. The ruling is therefore clearly in error, should be reversed and the materials should be compelled.

B. Plaintiffs did not know about Collins when the questionnaire was drafted.

Judge Dembin also refused to compel a response to these requests, finding that each of them should have been made either as part of the questionnaire process, or as part

of the questionnaire dispute resolution process laid out in Dkt. 702. Again, this reasoning came without substantial argument from Midland: Midland did not raise this point in its objections, did not argue it during meet and confer discussions, did not raise it in its Memorandum of Points and Authorities, Dkt. 802-1, and did not raise it in connection with any of these particular requests in the joint submission. Dkt. 802. Midland did mention this principle in passing in its "Background" section of the Joint Motion, Dkt. 802 at 4, but it did not argue that these requests should have been part of the questionnaire process, or that failure to include these requests in the questionnaire was fatal to their issuance.

Most importantly, however, the undersigned did not know about the *Collins* allegations until December 2019, well after the questionnaire development process in summer 2018. Burke Decl. \P 2.

And while it is true that the dispute resolution process the Court relied upon in denying the motion to compel in Dkt. 702, went from December 2, 2019 and ended around January 1, 2020, the *Collins* materials were not part of the questionnaire and therefore seeking them through the resolution process Judge Dembin faulted Plaintiffs for not using would have been inappropriate and futile.

Thus, the most appropriate way – and the *only* way – Plaintiffs could possibly have obtained documents concerning the *Collins* complaint was by seeking leave to issue additional discovery requests, which Plaintiffs did. Dkt. 773. That additional discovery would occur after the preliminary questionnaire process was explicitly contemplated in Judge Dembin's original order for such. *See* Dkt. 608 pp. 6-7 (indicating that there would be "no additional discovery until further order of the Court," but confirming that "*nothing herein* shall prevent the Parties from conducting additional discovery ... at such time as the Court allows") (emphasis added). Plaintiffs thus had no reason to believe the questionnaire process would be the "end-all-be-all" for discovery, Judge Dembin's instant order notwithstanding. Indeed, there is no fact discovery closure date in this case, and to the undersigned's knowledge, never has been. *E.g.*, Dkt. 782 p. 1 (noting Court's

intent to "inquire whether there is any outstanding common discovery").

Again, perhaps because these issues were not fully briefed, the Court's order denying the motion to compel did not recognize this timeline. Because it would have been impossible for Plaintiffs to comply with what the Court reasoned they should have done, the Magistrate Judge's order is clearly erroneous and contrary to law, and this objection should be sustained.

C. Requests 18 and 19 are not "Vague."

In its final sentence denying Plaintiffs' request to compel responses to RFP 18 and 19, the Court states: "Other than identifying Albert Collins, it is vague and overbroad and its relevance to calls preceding September 1, 2014, is not obvious." Dkt. 812 at 12-13.

Both of these requests are targeted at, and limited to, the precise disputed issues at hand: dialers, consent and the TCPA. And while whistleblower Collins is the only individual mentioned in the requests, this makes sense because he is the only individual that counsel knows about. "The party objecting to discovery as vague or ambiguous has the burden to show such vagueness or ambiguity." *Bryant v. Armstrong*, 285 F.R.D. 596, 606 (S.D. Cal. 2012). Neither Midland nor the Magistrate Judge explained what was vague about these requests. And even if they were vague, Midland should have produced, and the Court should have compelled, the portion that was not vague instead of tossing out the entire request, wholesale. Fed.R.Civ.P. 34(B)(2)(C) (requiring that an "objection to part of a request must specify the part and permit inspection of the rest").

To the extent that the Court's vagueness reasoning referred to these requests' failures to identify specific audits or whistleblowers, this would be unfair. Only Midland knows if there were more persons who "spoke up" about TCPA compliance, improper dialer use or intentionally shoddy consent practices. How is a consumer going to learn about such other than through discovery requests like these?

D. The Requested Documents are Discoverable and Highly Probative.

The Magistrate Judge's order did not analyze the merits of these requests at all. However, in order to fully reverse the ruling, this Court must be satisfied that the requests ask for discoverable documents. They do.

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

26

27

28

Audit and investigation documents pertaining to TCPA compliance or consent are relevant to whether enhanced damages are appropriate under 47 U.S.C. § 227(b)(3), based on Midland's knowledge or willfulness as to the violations at issue. For example, if Midland's own investigations determined that its practices were resulting nonconsensual calls, Midland's subsequent nonconsensual calls to the Plaintiffs were not merely negligent. The audit and investigation information is thus relevant to the issue of willfulness. For this reason, courts routinely compel such documents in TCPA cases. See Edeh v. Midland Credit Mgmt., Inc., 748 F. Supp. 2d 1030, 1044-45 (D. Minn. 2010) (finding TCPA plaintiff "is entitled to discover evidence that is relevant to whether Midland's violation of the TCPA was reckless[,]" such as "information about what Midland's procedures required it to do to avoid violating the TCPA" and "information about what Midland did and did not tell its employees about the TCPA"), aff'd, 413 F. App'x 925 (8th Cir. 2011); Johansen v. Liberty Mut. Grp., Inc., 2017 WL 6045419, at *3 (D. Mass. Dec. 6, 2017) (compelling documents relating to applicable audits, investigations, inquiries, or studies done concerning compliance with state and federal telemarketing laws); Sliwa v. Bright House Networks, LLC, 2018 WL 1183350, at *3 (M.D. Fla. Feb. 14, 2018) (compelling request seeking "[a]ll communications, reports, or audits concerning Defendant's compliance with the TCPA, including ensuring it was not calling wrong numbers or calling numbers after the called parties made requests not to call them" going back to 4-year TCPA statute of limitations period, finding it "relevant, proportional, and not burdensome"); Taylor v. Universal Auto Grp. I, Inc., 2015 WL 1810316, at *8 (S.D. Ohio Apr. 17, 2015) (compelling production of "documents, communications, and databases related to complaints from individuals who received calls" as relevant and discoverable); Warnick v. DISH Network LLC, 2013 WL 788090, at *4 (D. Colo. Mar. 1, 2013) (compelling "[a]ll documents from any source that concern the legality or propriety of making telephone calls to customers' cellular phones" referencing the TCPA); see also Krakauer, 925 F.3d at 662 (referencing prior litigation

and "half-hearted way in which Dish responded to consumer complaints" in affirming enhanced damages against TCPA violator).

Midland's objections do not explain themselves with any specificity, as required by Fed.R.Civ.P. 34(b)(2)(B), and they produce nothing at all, rather than producing the portions that are not objected to. Instead, Midland's briefing (but *not* its original objections) argues that its automated calls might not have violated the TCPA, Dkt. 802 at 43, and that Plaintiffs are therefore not entitled to investigate the level of its culpability in discovery.

Midland's opposition also tries to turn the tables on the burden, claiming that Plaintiffs are required to show proportionality. Dkt. 802 at 45. But this places Plaintiffs into a catch-22: Plaintiffs cannot argue proportionality without Midland objecting with specificity, and explaining what its alleged burden might be. The party who resists discovery has the burden to show discovery should not be allowed, and has the burden of clarifying, explaining, and supporting its objections. *Licea v. Beshay Foods, Inc.*, 2020 WL 1975059, at *1 (S.D. Cal. Apr. 23, 2020) (explaining burden shifting on a motion to compel); *Ivins v. Corr. Corp. of Am.*, 291 F.R.D. 517, 519 (D. Mont. 2013) ("Where a party's objections are themselves vague and impermissibly overbroad, and no specifics are given, the objecting party fails to carry its burden"). And while Midland submitted two declarations on this point, it did not provide this information in its objection or otherwise in advance of the parties' joint submission, so Plaintiffs were not afforded the opportunity to address those claims. Burke Decl. ¶ 3.

Audits and investigations are the "smoking gun" for proving willfulness. Midland's argument appears to be, "Gosh, we investigated so many complaints about illegal TCPA violations, it's just too burdensome to produce *anything*." Rubbish. Had Midland meaningfully met-and-conferred with Plaintiffs' counsel like it was supposed to in advance of motion practice, *see* Fed. R. Civ. P. 37(a)(1), instead of submitting last-minute, one-sided, adversarial declarations attesting to "burden" after-the-fact, then perhaps the parties could have come to a negotiated agreement. But it did not. The

Magistrate Judge's acceptance of Midland's backloaded tactic and refusal to permit <u>any</u> discovery responsive to these highly pertinent requests, which are key to permitting Plaintiffs to establish Midland as the unrepentant TCPA violator that it is, was clearly erroneous or contrary to law. Moreover, gathering and producing these materials cannot be burdensome, given that the *Collins* materials and emails were created while this case was pending, and in connection with this case (and in particular, Nick Martin's class action). Certainly Midland had a litigation hold on such materials arising from this case and from *Collins*, and can efficiently gather and produce them.

E. Failure to take a deposition does not render documents meaningless.

Judge Dembin also took issue with the fact that the Collins deposition was not taken. However, as explained above, the undersigned did not know about the deposition before December 2019, well after the questionnaire process was complete.

Immediately upon learning of Mr. Collins, the undersigned emailed and called Lead Counsel for the class action J.D. Blythin, and requested that he be permitted to participate in the deposition, including ask questions. Burke Decl. ¶ 2. Mr. Blythin agreed. *Id.* However, Mr. Blythin did not respond to subsequent communications about the status of the subpoenaed Collins deposition. *Id.* The deadline for the deposition came and went, apparently without the deposition happening and without Mr. Blythin notifying the undersigned one way or the other. *Id.*

But a document request is different than a deposition. Contemporaneously-created emails and other documents are oftentimes more powerful than testimony given five or ten years after-the-fact. And although documents are typically obtained before a deposition, discovery in this case was set up so as to make this impossible. But either way, document requests are a legitimate way to seek information from an adversary; there is nothing in the Federal Rules that says that one cannot use Fed.R.Civ.P. 34, unless one also takes a deposition. And there was no such "rule" in this case until the Court denied these discovery requests. These document requests were timely, and asked for relevant and discoverable information. The fact that the Collins deposition did not happen

has nothing to do with whether these materials should be produced. 1 2 IV. **CONCLUSION** 3 Collins and Midland's internal-looking document relating to TCPA, consent and dialers are too important for this type of circular treatment, especially if what Collins said 4 is true – that Midland's highest executives intentionally violated the TCPA and designed 5 internal systems in order to avoid detection of its violations in this lawsuit. 6 7 The Court should sustain these Objections and require Defendants to respond to 8 RFP 14, 18 and 19. 9 Respectfully submitted, 10 NICHOLAS MARTIN 11 Dated: September 4, 2020 By: <u>/s/ Alexander H. Burke</u> 12 Alexander H. Burke 13 BURKE LAW OFFICES, LLC 155 N. Michigan Ave., Suite 9020 14 Chicago, IL 60601 15 Telephone: (312) 729-5288 aburke@burkelawllc.com 16 17 Counsel for Plaintiff Nicholas Martin 18 JEREMY R. JOHNSON 19 Dated: September 4, 2020 By: /s/ Mark L. Heaney 20 Mark L. Heaney 21 HEANEY LAW FIRM, LLC 601 Carlson Pkwy., Suite 1050 22 Minnetonka, MN 55305 23 Telephone: (952) 933-9655 mark@heaneylaw.com 24 25 Counsel for Plaintiff Jeremy R. Johnson 26 The following are additional counsel whose clients are also joining Plaintiffs Martin and 27 Johnson in this Motion: 28

```
1
          Bret A. Knewtson
 2
          3000 NW Stucki Pl., Ste. 230-M
          Hillsboro, OR 97124
 3
          Telephone: (503) 846-1160
 4
          bknewtson@yahoo.com
          Counsel for Plaintiff Jonathan Spencer (3:17-cv-00605)
 5
 6
          Cathleen M. Combs
          Cassandra P. Miller
 7
          Edelman, Combs, Latturner & Goodwin LLC
 8
          120 S. LaSalle, Suite 1800
          Chicago, IL 60603
 9
          Telephone: (773) 739-4200
10
          ccombs@edcombs.com
          cmiller@edcombs.com
11
          Counsel for Plaintiffs Dave Scardina (3:11-cv-02370) and Sabrina Andrews (3:14-
12
          cv-02506)
13
          Rex C. Anderson
14
          Rex Anderson PC
          9459 Lapeer Rd., Ste. 101
15
          Davison, MI 49423
16
          Telephone: (810) 653-3300
          rex@rexandersonpc.net
17
          Counsel for Plaintiffs Daryl Smith and Barbara Reid (3:14-cv-01386)
18
          Amanda J. Allen
19
          The Consumer Protection Firm, PLLC
20
          210-A South MacDill Ave
          Tampa, FL 33609
21
          Telephone: (813) 500-1500
22
          amanda@theconsumerprotectionfirm.com
          Counsel for Plaintiffs Charles Gruver (3:14-cv-01559), Susan Hall (3:15-cv-
23
          00503), Cynthia Farley (3:15-cv-00939), Ephrom Cray, Jr. (3:15-cv-01051),
24
          Rachell Permenter (3:15-cv-01644)
25
          Angela Basham (pro se in 3:15-cv-01479)
26
          P.O. Box 220
          Leasburg, MO 65535
27
          drbasham@centurytel.net
28
```

```
1
          Ashok Arora (pro se in 3:15-cv-01712)
 2
          869 E. Schaumburg Rd., Suite 217
          Schaumburg, IL 60194
 3
          Telephone: (224) 622-3846
 4
          ashoklaw@protonmail.com
 5
          Tammy G. Hussin
 6
          Hussin Law
          1596 N. Coast Highway, Ste. 101
 7
          Encinitas, CA 92024
 8
          Telephone: (877) 677-5397
          tammy@hussinlaw.com
9
          Counsel for Plaintiff James Doherty (3:13-cv-02010)
10
          Yitzchak Zelman
11
          Marcus & Zelman, LLC
12
          701 Cookman Avenue
          Asbury Park, NJ 07712
13
          Telephone: (845) 367-7146
14
          yzelman@marcuszelman.com
          Counsel for Plaintiff Moses Weisberger (3:14-cv-01336)
15
16
          W. Whitney Seals
          Pate & Cochrun LLP
17
          P O Box 10448
18
          Birmingham, AL 35202-0448
          Telephone: (205) 323-3900
19
          whitney@cochrunseals.com
20
          Counsel for Plaintiff Prince Lashandra (3:17-cv-01242)
21
          Joseph M. Adams
22
          Law Office of Joseph M. Adams
          200 Highpoint Dr., Suite 211A
23
          Chalfont, PA 18914
24
          Telephone: (215) 996-9977
          josephmadamsesq@verizon.net
25
          Counsel for Plaintiff Denise Boyd (3:17-cv-00471)
26
          Aaron M. Swift
27
          Swift Law, P.A.
28
```

10460 Roosevelt Blvd. N., Suite 313 1 St. Petersburg, FL 33716 2 Telephone: (727) 490-9919 aswift@swift-law.com 3 4 Ian Leavengood LeavenLaw 5 3900 First Street N., Suite 100 6 St. Petersburg, FL 33703 Telephone: (727) 327-3328 7 ileavengood@leavenlaw.com 8 Counsel for Plaintiffs David and Ruth Moya (3:14-cv-02467) and Peter Howard (3:15-cv-00170) 9 10 Brian L. Shrader Centrone & Shrader, PLLC 11 612 W. Bay St. 12 Tampa, FL 33606 Telephone: (813) 360-1529 13 bshrader@shraderlawfirm.com 14 Counsel for Plaintiff Laguan M. Ford (3:16-cv-01821) 15 Seth Andrews 16 Law Offices of Kenneth Hiller, PPLC 6000 N. Bailey Ave., Suite 1A 17 Amherst, NY 14226 18 Telephone: (716) 564-3288 sandrews@kennethhiller.com 19 Counsel for Plaintiffs Patrick McDonald (3:14-cv-00689), Kimberly Wentworth 20 (3:14-cv-01355), Dorothy King (3:14-cv-02909), Daisy Pugh (3:16-cv-01977) 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that, on September 4, 2020, I caused the foregoing *Objections to Magistrate Judge's Order (Doc. 812) on Joint Motion for Determination of Discovery Dispute* to be filed via CM/ECF, which will send notice of such to all counsel of record.

/s/ Alexander H. Burke

Objections to Magistrate Judge's Order (Doc. 812) on Joint Motion for Determination of Discovery Dispute